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**SUBJECT: Transmittal of the Remedial Design/Remedial Action Scope of Work for Waste Area Group 3, Operable Unit 3-13 (Draft) - (OPE-ER-162-99)**

Dear Mr. Pierre and Mr. Nygard:

Enclosed is the Draft Remedial Design/Remedial Action (RD/RA) Scope of Work (SOW) for Waste Area Group (WAG) 3, Operable Unit (OU) 3-13. Included in the OU 3-13 RD/RA SOW is the scope, assumptions, schedule, and initial deliverables for the RD/RA phase of OU 3-13. For the schedule and deliverables, the OU 3-13 RD/RA SOW presents primary documents along with the associated milestones and secondary documents. Other milestones will be established in the subsequent primary documents. This document is being submitted to meet the requirements of the Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (FFA/CO).

Comments received from the EPA and IDHW/DEQ on the strategy and approaches from the conference calls and meetings have been incorporated into the Draft RD/RA SOW. In order to expedite comment resolution and incorporation, review comments should be provided in an electronic format. By using an electronic copy of the comments, an increase in the efficiency of comment resolution and subsequent incorporation is expected.

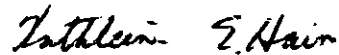
In the FFA/CO, the RD/RA SOW is "not defined as a primary or secondary document." As such, the RD/RA SOW is not on a review and comment schedule, but the document is subject to dispute. With this in mind, the RD/RA SOW is being treated as a Draft Final primary document and comments should be due from the EPA and IDHW 15 days after submittal of this document. Prior to finalization of the OU 3-13 RD/RA SOW, conference calls will be held to resolve any comments received on the Draft OU 3-13 RD/RA SOW. Finalization of the OU 3-13 RD/RA

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SOW will take place, following the conference calls, approximately 30 days after submittal of this document. If you have any questions, please call Talley Jenkins at (208) 526-4978 or myself at (208) 526-4392.

Sincerely,



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RECORD NOTES:

1. This letter was prepared to transmit the Draft Operable Unit 3-13 Remedial Design/Remedial Action Scope of Work to the State and EPA.
2. This letter was prepared based on discussions between T. Jenkins and K. Hain (OPE/ER). <sup>12/5 10/25/99</sup>
3. This letter/memo closes CATS number N/A.
4. The attached correspondence has no relation to the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program. Naval Reactors concurrence is not required.

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